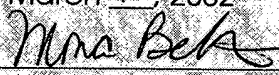




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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Notice To File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed February 6, 2002. Entry of the following preliminary amendment is requested prior to examination on the merits.

In the Specification:

In the paragraph beginning on line 4 of page 10, the text has been amended to read as follows:

B1 ---Figures 1A-1 and 1A-2 (referred to through-out the specification as "Figure 1A") show the nucleotide sequence of a native sequence human Apo-2DcR cDNA and its derived amino acid sequence (initiation site assigned at residue 1 (nucleotides 193-195)).---

In the paragraph beginning on line 7 of page 10, the text has been amended to read as follows: